

Rich Mattern, Mayor

The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, October 17, 2011, at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Rich Mattern, Lou Bennett, Mark Simmons, Mike Thorstad and Duane Hanson. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Mattern stated that "Resolution of Annexation" is to be discussed under Non Agenda and Item No. 4 of the Regular Agenda "Second Reading on Rezoning of Henning First Addition and Final Plat Approval" is to be removed from the agenda. Commissioner Hanson moved and Commissioner Thorstad seconded to approve the Order of Agenda with the changes as noted. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bennett moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to approve the Minutes of October 3, 2011. No opposition. Motion carried.

There was no Building Permit information.

There were no Commissioner Committee Reports.

The Auditor's Reports for September 2011 were received by the Commission.

The Sanitation Department Report for September 2011 was received by the Commission.

Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Bills

Resolution Releasing Part of Property from Developer's Agreement

Approval of COPS Hiring Grant Program for two new officers

Resolution Approving Contract and Contractor's Bond for General and Mechanical Construction in Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4044 – Phase II, Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4046 and Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4047

Resolution Approving Contract and Contractor's Bond for Electrical Construction in Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4044 – Phase II, Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4046 and Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4047

Sewer, Water, Storm & Street Improvement District No. 1233 (5th Street West (29th Avenue to 30th Avenue West): Approve Amended Assessment District, Approve Engineer's Report, Authorize City Engineer to create Plans and Specifications, Approve Plans and Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for bids with bid opening on November 3, 2011

Games of Chance: NDSU Pheasants Forever for Raffle to be held 12/2/11 at Speedway

Public Hearing October 31, 2011, 5:45 PM: Rezoning of North Pond at the Preserve 2nd Addition from Agricultural to Commercial Office Park

Public Hearing October 31, 2011, 5:45 PM: Rezoning from Heavy Commercial/Light Industrial to Heavy Industrial for Salvage Material Stockpiling (Lot 11, Block 1 of Midway Subdivision)

Public Hearing October 31, 2011, 5:45 PM: Rezoning of Lot 5, Block 1 of Eagle Run 8th Addition and Lot 1, Block 1 of Eagle Run 11th Addition from Limited Multiple Dwellings to Planned Unit Development

No opposition. Motion carried.

Katie White of Fargo Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments appeared before the Commission to review the 2011 Metropolitan Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. After discussion, Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the Resolution to adopt the 2011 Metropolitan Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Attorney Brian Neugebauer appeared before the Commission on Ordinance No. 906 to amend 10-0102, 12-0208, 12-0303, 12-0708, 13-1018, 13-1510, 12-0316, 13-1019 and 13-1020 due to legislative changes that would affect current ordinances in West Fargo and also enacting new ones. After review of the ordinance by City Attorney Brian Neugebauer, Commissioner Bennett moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to place Ordinance No. 906 on First Reading. No opposition. Motion carried.

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Senior Planner Steven Zimmer appeared before the Commission on North Pond at the Preserve 1st Addition. Assistant Public Works Director Chris Brungardt and Attorney Jade Rosenfeldt, on behalf of Attorney Dan Buiede and the developer, also appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Bennett moved and Commissioner Thorstad seconded to place on Second Reading Ordinance No. 904 on the rezoning of North Pond at the Preserve 1st Addition from Agricultural to Light Commercial District and to approve the Final Plat subject to all conditions in the Staff Report. No opposition. Motion carried.

Planning Director Larry Weil appeared before the Commission on the request from Steve Stoner for an access onto 26th Avenue East for Lot 1, Block 1 of South Pond at the Preserve 2nd Addition and advised that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval subject to conditions. City Engineer Kevin Bucholz also appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to approve the access request subject to all recommendations listed in the Staff Report. No opposition. Motion carried.

Senior Planner Steven Zimmer appeared before the Commission on the Site/Building Plan for the proposed Costco site. Ted Johnson, President of Design Strategies and Costco's consultant, reviewed information regarding Costco and provided a timetable for opening in October 2012. Police Chief Arland Rasmussen also appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the Site/Building Plan as recommended by Staff. No opposition. Motion carried.

Senior Planner Steven Zimmer appeared before the Commission on Eagle Run 21st Addition, a replat. Commissioner Hanson moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the Final Plat subject to all conditions listed in the Staff Report. No opposition. Motion carried.

Senior Planner Steven Zimmer appeared before the Commission on Shadow Wood 6th Addition, a replat. Commissioner Bennett moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to approve the Final Plat subject to all conditions listed in the Staff Report. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Auditor James Brownlee appeared before the Commission to review the State Audit Report for the City of West Fargo as of December 31, 2010. Commissioner Hanson moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to accept the State Audit Report as of December 31, 2010. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Attorney Brian Neugebauer appeared before the Commission on the "Resolution of Annexation" for the Henning Addition. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to adopt the Resolution of Annexation. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Administrator James Brownlee gave the following report to the Commissioners:

Joint City/Park/School District Meeting was held. Superintendent Flowers is asking if a Joint Board Meeting should be held. Commissioners are to contact City Administrator James Brownlee

A public meeting will be held November 22, 2011 from 5-7 PM at the Sheyenne 9th Grade Center on the 9th Street Corridor Study

National League of Cities will be held November 9-13 with Mayor Mattern, Commissioner Simmons and City Auditor James Brownlee attending

Downtown Study final document will be provided within next 60 days

City Auditor James Brownlee met with Vector Control officers. The city will now be billed every month to get a better view of what is being spent

Economic Development Advisory Committee has two openings in the manufacturing area

There was no correspondence.

The next item on the agenda is executive session for discussion of economic development project. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is North Dakota Century Code 44-04-18.4. The purpose of this executive session is to discuss an economic development proposal. The City Commission will not reconvene in an open meeting as no final action or vote will be taken on this matter.

Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. Meeting was adjourned.

Rich Mattern

President of the Board

James Brownlee

City Auditor